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Previous references

Pol 325-aq & 364 1916-17
Bror 158 (Mud.)

Later references

Pol 44-17 Fls 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 Bom 17.
M 140-18 Fl 2.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos 4-11

Part B for May 1917

SUBJECT

Project for the drainage of the Shimga town and for the formation of a road along the river bank and the question proposed for financing them.

11. Q. No 7176-89 14.5.17 & the Dy. Shimga &c.

Approves of the raising of the loan on the terms proposed for financing the project and states that Rs. 2,000/- will be advanced G. Govt as a loan for 1917-18 for the purpose and suggests the levy of a drainage cess & the Municipal

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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FILE HEADING

Sanitary improvements in the Shimoga town

From

The Deputy Comr Shimoga

No 20 Dated 15 3 15 Received 19 3 15

Diary No. 1192	Enclos	Spare Copies	Serial No 4

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER

States that the Municipal Council of Shimoga are in favour of having both the improved drainage & a road by the river side estimated to cost about a lakh of rupees, that they expect a grant of half the cost from the General Revenues & want a loan of Rs 50000/- at 4 p.c interest repayable in 3 years to meet their quota of the charges

NOTES AND ORDERS

2 The drainage question of Shimoga is under consideration in the P W D till the project is matured & it is decided what grant can be made from the General Revenues

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it is not possible to say what amount of loan, if Govt will be pleased to sanction it - will be required by the Govt Council Pending disposal of the project in the P W D the question of the loan may be investigated & the ability of the Govt Council to repay it ascertained

3 The annual instalment for re-payment of a loan of 50000 Rs under the conditions is Rs 2891 5^ & the Govt Council will be able to meet this amt if they can realise the expected increase of Rs 3000/- to their funds by enhanced taxation

4 Things pointed out by this office long ago Govt Council did not take action to levy a water rate & the Deputy Comr has now been asked to take immediate steps in the matter. It is not clear how much they will be able to realise additional Rs 3000/- a year by further taxation

5 If approved the Depy Comr may be requested to report in detail the manner in which it can be done A draft is put up for possible requirements

6 Submit for orders

order put up in the file relating to the Starting of works connected with the improvement of water supply D 5873 under issue

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5	8 Jo Dep^y Com^r Shimoga No 7584 d 29 3 15 Requests him to furnish details of the ways & means by which it is proposed to tax the income.
6	9 From the same this no 39 & 19 8-15 suggests ways & means to tax & augm the income towards the loan for improved drainage scheme & the loan as called for 10 The deputy Com^r submits proposals to levy the following taxes & states that the municipal Council have approved them.— (1) A Special tax on areca nut at the rate of 3 pies per maund on the quantity exported from the town (2) A Special tax on paddy at the rate of 3 pies per bag of 75 seers exported from the town 11 The deputy Com^r further states (1) through the imposition of the proposed taxes is not in accordance with the present day ideas there are certain considerations urged in the present letter to give some justification for the course proposed, (2) that the municipal Council have recently resolved to levy a water-rate at ½ the house tax & the lighting at ¼ the house tax, & (3) that it is necessary

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that land in which case of the nature proposed should be levied under Sec 1) of the Rul Regn.

12. As regards tax on areca under G.O. Nr 6878-88 & 14 3 1907 the "halat" areca nut has been abolished & history of the "halat" question is also

13 noted in R. 8675 & 21 3 1910 authorizes the levy of a "cess on "supari" garden lands in the state with effect from 1907 and to be solely utilized to form a fund for the "centre" in each taluk of supari garden problems

14 The levy of tax on paddy to be exported seems to be a novel one and forms a general question -

~~The sale of wattle & plucking tax into the Kingdom to Bangalore etc are as follows~~

15 As regards the proposed levy of tax on timber & bamboos floated in the river from the Forest Depts may be taken

16 It is a question whether the levy of undue taxes as proposed could be permitted under Sec 59(xi) of the Municipal Regulation

17 Submitted for orders

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taxes are proposed to be levied on Timber & Bamboos brought in and stored in the Town — Taxes on shops are already being levied & our Council cases the levy of octroi on all consignments received for local use, on through traffic passing through Chicago, may be justified

19 18. The necessity of this drainage scheme and the construction of the road harbour clearly established The question is entirely one of funds The Municipal council report a loan of nearly half a lakh from Govt payable in instalments in a period of 30 years Certain ways and means are suggested for meeting the additional expenditure The Council suggest a tax of 3 pies per maund on the area not exported from the town, and a similar tax on a bag of paddy The Dt Commissioner does not view with favour the tax on paddy on the ground that it is a tax on the necessaries of life, and that the income accruing thereby will not be much He proposes, on the other hand, a tax on timber bamboos just as in the case of areca nut

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19	It is expected that the tax on arecanut will yield Rs 30 a year. The explanation furnished in this letter appears to show that the tax may not be felt very keenly by the merchants, and that it will be easy to realise. The question of loan can be considered only after the power of the Municipality to discharge the debt is ascertained. It is unique a point for orders whether this is to proceed independent of adopting the proposals
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20	Bv ii may be inserted if the annual income expected to be raised will suffice to discharge the loan in 30 years, & further if the loan may be granted
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21	The annual instalment for repayment with interest @ 4% of a loan of Rs 50,000 in 30 years is Rs 2876 - 12 - 6 If the loan amount is Rs 32,000 the annual instalment

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22. In addition to the one lakh of rupees for the drainage of the Sylteen & the road on the Sewer bank there are the following other items for which the Municipality will have to find funds

(1) For constructing drains for removing the Sewage as it is stated that the present drainage scheme provides only for the removal of the Storm Water & not any Sewage

(2) Exp^r necessary for repairing or maintaining in proper order the drains & the new road

23 The Municipality has practically no funds to meet the proposed exp^r - It wants 1/2 a lakh to be given as a free grant & another 1/2 a lakh as a loan at interest at 4% repayable in 30 years - Even for this loan, supplemental Some suitable fut items of taxⁿ are proposed to be imposed to bring about Rs 3000 a year - The finances of the State are not very flourishing condition at present & Govt has lately got to borrow money. It is therefore not clear how it can give one lakh on the terms suggested The market rate of interest is high and if the Municipality is to borrow it may be asked to

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A 1 borrow direct from the public with a guarantee from Govt of necessity to pay the interest at a higher rate

2. Regarding the other questions the following remarks are submitted -

1- 30 years seems to be too long a period in which the loans to be repaid - In the case of Malnad towns it seems to be too far ahead it is difficult to foretell whether they are likely to be 30 years hence - If for some reason or other the revenues of the Municipality thereof fall or the town lose its importance, how is the loan to be repaid ?

2 Shimoga being the terminus of the Railway can tap areca nut & pepper arbe yet now if the Rly is extended, all the consignments will be diverted from Shimoga to some other station and then how is the Municipality to get its revenue from the source It has been stated that before the line from Bonur to Shimoga was constructed, the goods now consigned at Shimoga were being railed at Bonur and so this contingency is not improbable -

Passed 4/2/16

25 I think that the Municipality may be told once for all that no Govt grant or loan will be given.

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for the works in question.

26. The Municipality may be given permission to borrow in the market any sum upto one lakh at a rate not exceeding 6%. To facilitate the loan Govt may guarantee it, on the distinct understanding that the Municipality will be held ultimately responsible by Govt.

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27. L.G.D with refer to paragraph 20 supra

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28. A draft GO may be put up accepting the Hd Secy's opinion & Secy to 2nd member for approval

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3/4 The proposals are no doubt crude & can hardly be sanctioned in their present form. But if the Municipality cannot raise money to pay a loan to Govt of 50000 Rs. ~~Can they~~ without resorting to such proposals, can they find means to repay a lakh of rupees at 6 P.C. interest borrowed from the public

3/ The question may be considered at a meeting

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 378th Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore, on the 29th March 1926

18. SUBJECT:- (Outside the Schedule).

Project for the drainage of the Shimoga Town and for the formation of a road along the river bank thereat, at an aggregate estimated cost of Rs.1,01,000.

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

The Municipality should be asked whether they would be able to raise a loan of one lakh to meet the cost of the scheme, for ten years at 5 per cent. or for five years at 6 per cent. Government will guarantee the interest on the loan and pay interest charges on and repay half the amount of the loan. If the Municipality are able to arrange for a loan on these terms, proposals for meeting interest charges on half the loan and the maintenance of the scheme may be submitted together with the detailed project.

Sd M Visvesvaraya,
Dewan of Mysore

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D. M. Narayana Rao 1973
Secretary to Government,
General Department

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Council is put up
Forwarded with compliments to the Secretary to Government, ~~Revenue Department~~
for favour of necessary further action

By Order

D. M Narayanaswamy 30/3

Secretary to Government,
General Department,

~~Draft final note~~

38. Forwarded to the Financial Secretary with Compliments, under para 8 of the G.O. of 6-5-07.

Border Organisation Section

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Please put up - D-SN

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Sub Please see para 25 above.

Asst F(Sec) 8/4/16

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I do respectfully adhere to my opinion of 14 2 16. The work is not of such a nature as to justify State help to the extent specified in the current resolution

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	43. Submitted with a slight addition to the Final note (as para 7). ~~P.S.C. 44. Draft final note is put up for approval~~ 17.4.16
115 18/4/16	~~A Draft note of Govt~~ was also placed with file revised slightly by Secretaries 18/4/16 1 Secretary 19.4
	45. Final note signed by the 1st Member to Govt up DS IV is also put up 20/4/16 DS IV 20/4/16

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46. **Final Note by the First Member of Council.**

Subject:-

Project for the drainage of the Shimoga Town and for the formation of a road along the river bank, at an aggregate cost of Rs.1,01,000.

A project for the drainage of the Shimoga Town and for the formation of a road along the bank of the Tunga River, roughly estimated at Rs.67,742 was approved by the Municipal Council in April 1913. The Deputy Commissioner, however, countersigned only the estimate for the drainage and returned the road estimate unsigned as the people were not keen about the road.

2. After scrutiny, the Government in the P.W.Department, directed the revision of the drainage estimate providing for masonry drains and added that the road along the river bank was an immediate necessity and might also be taken up along with the drainage scheme The Council have approved of this suggestion.

3. The estimates have since been revised by the Sanitary Engineer and are now estimated to cost Rs.1,01,000, viz., Rs 64,000 for drainage and Rs.37,000 for the road

4. The Municipal Council discussed the subject at a special meeting held on the 18th February 1915 and have unanimously resolved to carry out both the works and to bear half the entire cost, if the Government sanction a grant of the other half and also advance to the Municipal Council, a loan to that extent repayable in 30 years with interest at 4% per annum.

The Deputy Commissioner reports that the Municipal Council has shown itself to be earnest about the improvement of the town and recommends that the scheme as outlined above may be sanctioned.

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5. The Financial Secretary, who was consulted in the matter, is not in favour of giving either a Government grant or a loan, and thinks that the Municipal Council may be permitted to raise a loan in the public market up to a lakh of rupees at a rate not exceeding 6% and that Government may guarantee it on the distinct understanding that the Municipal Council will be held ultimately responsible by Government.

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6. The question was discussed in Council on the 29th March 1916. Their resolution is contained in the extract of proceedings put up.

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7. The papers were once again referred to the Financial Secretary, under para 8 of the Government order of 6th May 1907, but he has recorded his adherence to his former opinion.

8. In needy cases like this there is no chance of large sanitary schemes being carried out without substantial Government support and as in the case of Shimoga, the Municipal Council is anxious to come forward and take a share of the burden of the scheme on their shoulders, it is but just that the Government should come to their assistance. On these grounds, I strongly recommend the acceptance of the Council resolution and the grant of the support on the terms specified.

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47. *Submitted to His Highness*

I submit herewith a 'Final Note' by the Firs Member of Council on the drainage project of Shimoga town and the project for riverside road.

2. The development and proper utilisation of water-fronts is an item of town improvements which has not received due attention in the past The present venture of the Shimoga Municipal Council has my full support and I recommend the resolution of the Council for the gracious sanction of His Highness.

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3 Further action will be taken in consultation with the Shimoga Municipal Council after sanction is received.

M Visvesvaraya

29 Apr 1916

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject

Project for the drainage of the Shimoga Town and for the formation of a road along the river bank.

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Order

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50 Secretary RD
& Secretary PWD
6.5.16 RO Date 6/5

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52 Reg Abstract
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53. Draft ~~Sanction~~ for approval

Sent by Post

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8/5/16 57. The Dewan has marked the file to Secy R. & A. Secy P.W.D.

Sole for order whether the draft-proceedings may be issued. The draft calls for suggestions re Sentence and charges above

Revised

Dewan 12/5/16

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[After issue of the draft letter, the file may be sent to the P.W.D. Secy for perusal & return]

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Dewan 12/5/16

KP 12/5

56 Send file to P.W.D. Secy for perusal & return

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KP 15/5/16

57 For favor of perusal and kind return

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Note No 162 dt 22/5/1916 — Pass

58. Seen and returned

R V Sundaram
for Secretary to Government.
P to Department

Bangalore
20th May 1916

Sy. Subd. for orders to issue the draft letter to the Dy Com. Shimoga

Dpc 23/5 — 6/6. June

7 Resd. See after Sl 9. — 26/5-16

8 6/2 to the Deputy Comr., Shimoga. No 2714 dt 29 5 1916 with reference to Sl 6, stating whether further undertaking or repayment of half of the loan with interest would be entailed there guarantee of the interest on the Shimoga half in case the Mysore Government should discharge the first about their ability to discharge the interest & sinking fund charges & (2) that the loan may be raised for 10 years at 5 p.c or for 5 years at 6 p.c & calls for their observations on these terms

7 62 from the same Officer - No 422 dt 5-5-1916 Reminder of Sl 4 & requests the issue of early orders on the proposals of the Shimoga Town Municipal Council thereon.

9 The present reference was evidently made prior to the issue of Mysore Government No Sl 8

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with reference to the Land proposals & in view of the nature of a remarks may the reply to the last Communication be therefore awaited & deal with the Case finally?
Ky (30) 64. The proposals called for in
30/5/16 serial 8 may be awaited
Bs 65. Acknowledge receipt
31/5 of the letter & say that a
reply to SL 8 is awaited
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66 Draft submitted
Ky (30) 67. Issue
14 6 16 Ky
Bs 15/6-16
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68 To the President, Chirupa & rly No 9855
17 6 16 acknowledge receipt of SL 8 & state that
his reply to SL 8 in the matter is awaited

69. From the same Tries No 482 dt 11-6-16
with refce to SL 8, requests sanction to the proposal
of the Mr. Co. to extend the term of repayment of
the loan to 25 years, with interest at 5 per cent & to
raise the proposed tax of 3 pees per maund of areca
nut stored in the town of Tries

70. Submitted for orders. Reference is also invited
to para 15 supra

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71 There are two points to be decided:

1. Whether the term of repayment of th loan may be extended to 25 years as suggested by the Municipal Council

2. Whether the imposition of a special tax of 6 pies per maund of arecanut stored in the town can be authorised by Government under clause 11 Section 59 of the Municipal Regulations

72 So far as the Government share of the loan and interest payments are concerned Government may in sanctioning the raising of the loan, reserve the power to pay back any part of the Entire loan at the end of 10 years If the Municipal Council cannot find the means to discharge its share of the loan within a shorter period than 25 years by imposing a similar tax on other articles such as timber etc , there is no other way of getting over the difficulty than to accept the resolution

73 As regards point (2) When arecanut was regarded as an excisable article and was charged with an excise duty of 12 annas per maund, Government in their Proceedings No 3362-73--Ml 161 dated 27th September 1879 directed that

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that it should not be burdened with Municipal Octroi in view of the fact that the tax on areca gardens was also heavy.

7' The land assessment on Malnad areca gardens has since been lightened and the Sayar duty on areca nut has been entirely taken away. There is therefore no objection to the article being now subjected to octroi in the Shimoga Town. But a tax on all quantities imported, consumed or exported is apt to be viewed as a terminal tax This form of tax is not generally favoured by the Government of India. Cawnpore presents an exceptional case. In the case of Karachi when a tax was so imposed on sundry articles, the Government of India modified it into "10 per cent draw-back on Octroi refunds " Such "draw backs" are permitted in the cities of Bangalore and Mysore on 'timber' and "tobacco" -- But it is open to Government to legalise the levy of 6 pies per maund of areca nut for a special purpose and for a fixed period

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From the President, Shimoga Town Municipal C[ouncil] no 200 dy 4/11-16 Requests in continuation of his previous letter, sanction to raise a loan of Rs 100000 towards the drainage scheme, etc in the Shimoga Town and to withdraw the amount of Rs 30000 promised in Govt orders No (D.PW) 1118-2 / 8970-8 dy 22.11.1910 & no. 4576-7 / ml 325-09-4 dy 28-11-1910 towards the same

7) Final proposals were called for in the matter in P.O no 8714 / ml 196-14-8 dy 29.5.16

The proposals received with the Presidt's letter no 482 dy 22.6.16 (D no 4616) as stated above are pending before the Dewan since 8.7.16

May the present Communication also be subd to the Dewan in Continuation?

VK (30) 24.11.16

Subd for orders

Dy 28.11.16

Rec'd 28.11.16

Rev-Secretary)

29 This may be submitted to Dewan in continuation of the main file

2nd member) yes VK 29/11/1916

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1st Dewan)

VK 1-12-1916

Dy

Please see Dewan's order 12.12.16 on the main file cited hereto

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93 I agree with the Second Member that the proposed tax on areca nut is not a desirable one.

Please bring up at a meeting of Council.

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(Lord Lamington) In favour of action 14/12/16

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No. C. 906

(For disposal at a meeting)

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter

SUBJECT.

(Clause 1 of the Schedule).

96 Question of financing the project for improving the sanitary condition of the Shimoga Town.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

By Order,

D Narayana Rao

Secretary to Government

19th December 1916

Extraordinary Member of Council

12 16 First Member of Council 21/12

Second Member of Council Seen

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Decision — para 2 —
in D.P.W Memo No 66 dt 9.2.17
Shimoga Drainage Scheme

87 The financial condition of the Shimoga Town Municipality for the past three years is given below -

Year.	Opening balance Rs	Receipts Rs	Total Rs	Expenditure Rs	Closing balance. Rs	
1913-14	22,633	40,979	63,612	43,871	19,741	Actuals
1914-15	19,741	45,041	64,782	37,908	26,874	Actuals
1915-16	26,874	42,468	69,342	42,688	26,604	Actuals
Total for 3 years	69,248	1,28,488	1,97,736	1,24,467	73,269	
Average for a year	23,083	42,829	65,912	41,489	24,423	

2. The following is the financial condition of the Municipality as per current year's budget

	Rs
Opening balance	40,032
Receipts	45,268
Total	83,300
Expenditure	73,177
Closing balance	12,123

which is more than the prescribed minimum by Rs 806/- But the estimated expenditure is far more than the income on account of the increased provision made for Shimoga Water Supply as per Government Order No 645-9/P W 3081-5 dated 4th April 1916

3. As regards financing the Drainage project and opening a road along the river bank, it was proposed to the Municipal Council that if they could raise a loan of one lakh of rupees in the open market for 10 years at 5 % or for four years at 6% and

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and find funds for defraying the interest and sinking fund and maintenance charges, Government would ~~defray~~ repay one half of the loan with interest and also guarantee the interest on the other half

4. Thereupon the Municipal Council agreed to raise the loan required provided the term of repayment is extended to 25 years and the rate of interest is fixed at 5 per cent and for meeting the additional charges, they proposed to levy a special tax on arecanut stored in the town at the rate of 6 pies per maund which is expected to yield annually about Rs 4,600/-, the maintenance charges being proposed to be met as an ordinary item under "Public Works"

5 The Second Member approved of the terms of the Municipal Council but, while disapproving of the ~~raising~~ levy of the special tax, suggested as an alternative the levy of a drainage tax

6 The matter has been ordered by the Dewan to be brought up in Council with the observation that the tax on arecanut is not a desirable one

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Project for improving the town of Shimoga

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89) To Joint Secy. with Compliments, for favour of further action. (Please see para 2 of Dewan's order dy 21 3 17)

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90) Re-circulated to the Members of Council with the project and estimate since received

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 415th Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore, on the 19th April 19 17

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93. Subject.-Outside the Schedule.

Question of financing the project for improving the Sanitary condition of the Shimoga Town.

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

W D 1364—GPB—200—14 12-15

94 OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

The terms proposed by the Municipal Council of Shimoga may be approved.

2 Special tax on arecanut is inexpedient.

3 The Municipal Council may consider the question of imposing a drainage tax.

4 Rs.20,000 may be advanced by Government as loan in 1917-18 for this purpose.

Sd M Visvesvaraya,
Dewan of Mysore

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Secretary to Government,
General Department

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(6) Draft order submitted

As regards the discrepancy in figures, attention is invited to paragraph 4 of the - Deputy Commissioner's letter No 196 of 19th November 1916 to the address of the Chief Engineer (Vide enclosure to Sl 10 also, in the file) The scheme was estimated to cost roughly Rs 1,01,000 and the revised estimate now received amounts to Rs 85,495 as per details ~~noted~~ in the Chief Engineer's note

[No orders have been passed in Council regarding the sum of Rs 30,000 referred to in the Deputy Commissioner's letter No 200 of 18th November 1916 (Sl 10 in the file) It is however, apparent that the proposal made thereon, did not find favour (vide paragraph 4 of Deputy Commissioner' letter dated 15th March 1915) Separate orders may therefore, if found necessary be passed on the subject later on]

MY 18/4/17 (6) Sahib write the a draft order and a clean copy of the D.F.N

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(8) Brief note signed by the member is put up in the file with a D.F.N Dewan Sahib

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NOTE—Contn sheet

MY 1/5/17

Final Note by the Second Member of Council

Subject.—

Question of financing the project for improving the sanitary condition of the Shimoga town

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1 With reference to the Council Resolution of the 29th March 1916 on the above subject duly approved by His Highness in Order dated 4th May 1916, the Shimoga Municipality represent that they will be able to raise a loan of Rs 1,00,000 provided the period of repayment is raised to 25 years and the interest is fixed at 5% and they also propose to levy a tax of 6 pies per maund on areca stored in the town, to meet the additional charge which the Municipality has to bear on account of the scheme

2 On this proposal I recorded my opinion as follows on 7th July 1916 -

> "The Council Resolution as regards terms may be accepted I am not in favour of raising the tax for the purpose A drainage tax may be levied "

3 The subject was considered in Council and the Resolution arrived at was in accordance with my views and it was proposed to advance Rs 20,000 as a loan in 1917-18

4 A reference to paragraph 8 of my tour notes dated 19th April 1916 is solicited The sanitary condition of Shimoga town recently inspected by me is deplorable (Page 4 of my inspection Notes) The measures proposed are urgently necessary for its improvements A sum of Rs 50,000 may be spent during 1917-18

5 The draft order based on the Council Resolution may be approved

Member of Council

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Submitted to His Highness

I submit herewith a Final Note by the Second Member of Council on the subject of financing the project for improving the sanitary condition of the Shimoga town

for His Highness' gracious approval

Dewan
2nd May 1917.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject

109 Financing the project for improving the sanitary condition of the Shimoga town.

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Serial No 11

To the Deputy Com". [illegible]
" Chief Engineer } 1176-S
" Comptroller thro' H 9/4/5/191

Appraised of the raising of the loan on the terms proposed & the Deputy Com" desires that a sum of Rs. 20,000 may be advanced by Govt as a loan to the M P C[orporation] in 1917-18 for the purpose in question & Reserves that the Municipal C[orporation] may consider the question of imposing a drainage tax for reason given.

No 2671-16

111) The orders to be communicated appears from the opinion of the Fund Secretary (vide paras 25 & 26) but the sanction of H H has been obtained. Draft and fair copies communicating are submitted for orders

16/5/17

112) Communicated

113) Communicated 16/5 16/5

Mem Secy PW D submits a copy of G.O. 1731-5 / PW 8645-9 dt 13 8 1917 passed in this dept with reference to Ll 11 above

NOTE—Contn sheet

1914-15

From

The Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District

To

The Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, General and Revenue
Department, Bangalore

Dated 15th March 1915

Despatched

General No. 220

Enclosure, 1

Submits proposals regarding the drainage of the Shimoga town & the formation of a road on the river bank.

No. 220
Exm I D 5872/Dev 196-14_4 Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District
Dated Shimoga, 15th March 1915.

From

K. Matthan, Esquire, B A ,
Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District

To

D Narasinga Rao, Esquire, B A , B L ,
Offg Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments,
Bangalore

Sir,

I have the honour to address you on the question of the drainage of the Shimoga Town and of the formation of a road on the river bank

2 A project for the drainage of the Shimoga town and for forming a road on the river bank was placed before the Municipal Council of Shimoga at a special meeting held on the 9th April 1913 and the scheme was explained to the Councillors by Mr Bhore, the Sanitary Engineer The compensation amount included in the estimate being considered to be unduly low, the amount was revised in consultation with a Committee of the Municipal Council The estimate, as revised with reference to this, came to Rs 67,742 for both the drainage project and the proposed road I countersigned the estimate for the drainage and returned the road estimate without counter-signature as the people were not keen about the road

3 The Government(in the Public Works Department) did not sanction the drainage estimate except a few items and

directed that it should be revised providing for masonry drains The Government added at the same time that the road along the ~~river~~ bank of the Tunga river should be given precedence over every other improvement in the Shimoga town. The subject was again placed before the Municipal Council, and the Council after the inspection of the river bank resolved (one member dissenting) that it heartily approved of the formation of the proposed road and this was communicated by me to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, on the 2nd May 1914

4 No reply has been received to this communication but the subject came up at the meeting of the Shimoga Municipal representatives with the Dewan on the 7th January 1915 I then suggested that the unexpended portion of the grant for town extension amounting to about Rs. ₹,800/- should be taken towards the cost of the scheme and the balance divided between the Government and the Municipal Council in equal proportions The Dewan was apparently not agreeable to the Municipal Council taking credit for the unexpended balance above referred to, and appeared to think that the Government might give to the Council ah amount equal to what the Council itself would provide Mr Bhore the Sanitary Engineer who was also present at the meeting has as desired by the Dewan, furnished me with a statement showing the cost of the scheme in its various items As per this statement, the drainage project together

with the road costs Rs 1,01,000 and without the road Rs.64000/- The drainage scheme deals only with the storm water and does not provide for subsidiary drains to deal with the sewage water

5 As regards the present state of the finances of the Municipality, the position is as follows - The estimated closing balance of the Municipality on the 30th June 1915 is, accordingly to the budget, Rs 12,000 after meeting the Council's half share of the charges for the improvement of the water supply Owing to the increased maintenance charges of the previous year of the water supply, this has to be reduced by about Rs 3,500 but on the other hand about Rs 1500 more may be expected by improved collections Thus it may be assumed that the closing balance at the end of the year may be Rs 10,000 The minimum working balance would be about Rs 6,000 and the remaining Rs 4,000 would probably be required for probable increase on the water supply estimate and expenditure on other necessary Public Works in the town

6 A memorandum explaining the history of the scheme and the finance position was placed before the Municipal Council at a special meeting held on the 18th February The Council was asked to decide whether it would go in for the drainage scheme alone or for the drainage scheme with the road and in any case how the cost was to be met It was pointed out that as Government is apparently ready to bear half the cost the Municipal Council

would have to find Rs 50,000 or Rs 32,000 according as it decide to have both or only one

7 In view of the state of the finances it was explained to the Council that the whole of the Rs. 50,000 or Rs 32,000 as the case may be had to be borrowed and that it could ask the Government to lend the money at 4% repayable in 30 equal annual instalments The annual payment including interest is calculated to amount to about Rs 2,890 or Rs 1850 according as the amount of the loan is Rs. 50,000 or Rs 32,000 The council was also asked to make suitable provision in the budget for the payment of the annual instalment in case it decided upon borrowing.

8 The Municipal Council has unanimously resolved that it is in favour of taking up both the drainage project and the project for a road on the river side and will be prepared to provide half the cost estimated at Rs 50,000 if the Government will be so good as to give a loan of the amount to the Council repayable in 30 years with interest at 4% and that the Council will take steps to increase its income by the time the work is likely to be started A copy of the resolution is enclosed

9 I have the honour to request that the Government may be pleased to approve of the above proposals The explanation given above as to the state of the finances of the Municipality will convince the Government that the whole of the amount required to be found by the Municipal Council, Viz , Rs 50,000 has to be

obtained as a loan as the balance at the credit of the Council is only just sufficient to meet the cost of the improved water supply and certain other necessary works Improved drainage and a road by the river side to prevent the fouling of the bank are recognised on all sides to be most important needs of the town and the Municipal Council, in resolving to meet half the cost of this by borrowing the very large amount of Rs 50,000 and undertaking to tax the town further to the extent of nearly Rs 3,000 (in addition to levying a water rate equal to half the house tax as explained in another communication) has shown itself to be earnest as regards the improvement of this town, and I have the honour to recommend that the scheme as outlined above may be sanctioned at a very early date As the Public Works department has already an estimate of the cost, it may be possible to begin work during the current year if the matter could be expedited

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District

J. J. R.

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Proceedings of a Special meeting of the Shimoga Town Municipal Council held in the Chamarajendra Memorial Hall on Thursday the 18th February 1915

1. Consideration of the question of financing the drainage scheme

Resolved unanimously

(1) The Municipal Council is in favour of taking up both the drainage project and the project for a road on the river side and will be prepared to provide half the cost estimated at Rs 50,000 if the Government will be so good as to give a loan of the amount to the Council repayable in 30 years with interest at 4%

(2) The Council will take steps to increase its income by the time the work is likely to be started

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For Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District

27 Shimoga drainage scheme

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File No 196-14
Serial No 5

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Diary No of letter replied to 5872

No 7564
and 196-14-5 29.3.15

General and Revenue Secretariat
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To
The Deputy Commr
Shimoga

Date of issue 29 3 15

Signed by Mr M S Ramachandrarao

Sir

paper under disposal

With reference to your letter No. 220 of the 13th Mar 1915 forwarding your further report connected with Shimoga expenditure on account of Rs 3000/- to meet revenues by further taxation for repaying the loans required for the drainage scheme, I am directed to request you to

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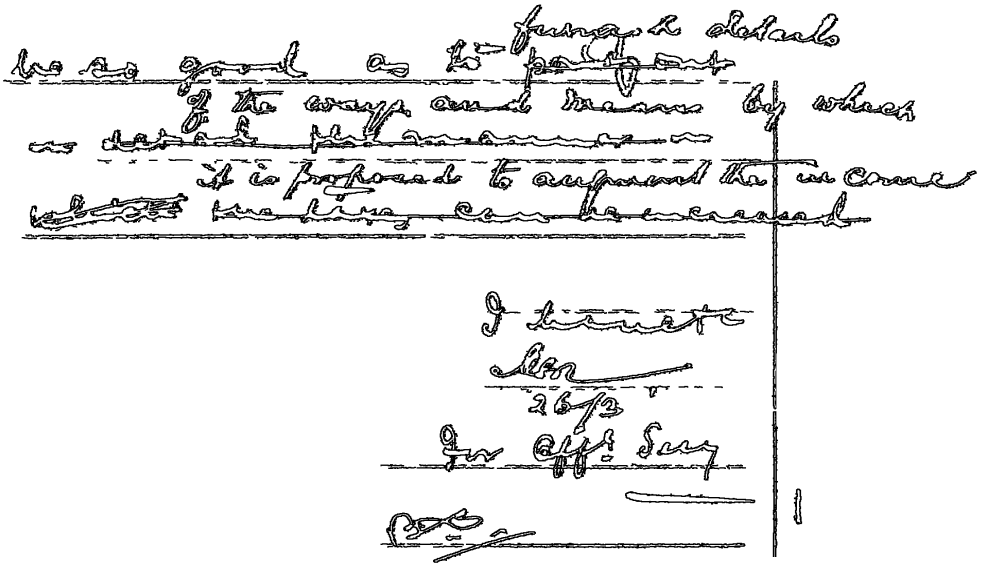

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GPE—25,000—4-6-18

1914-15 No 233-11

From

The Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District

To

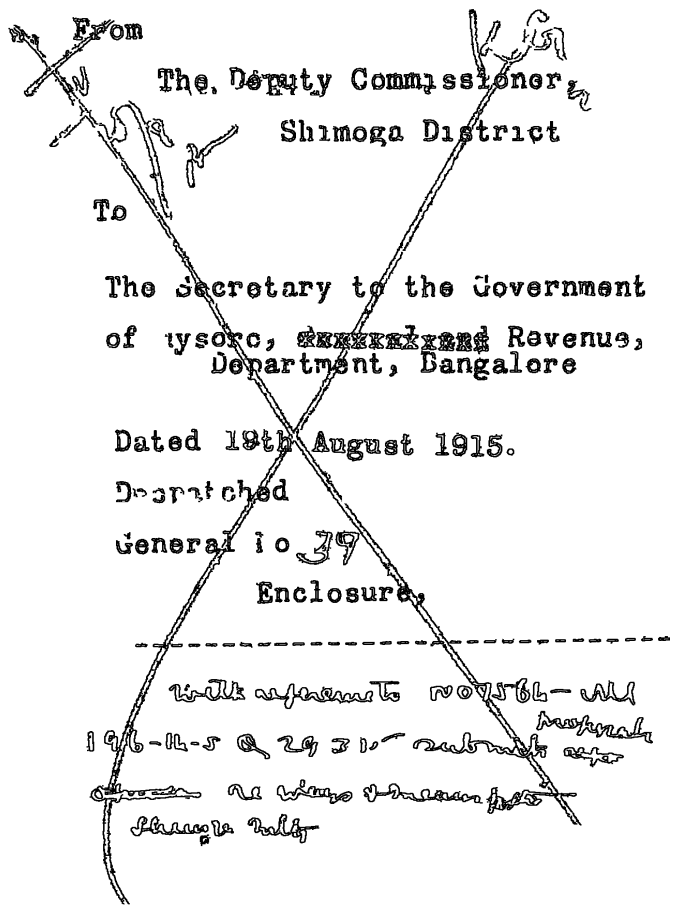
The Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ Revenue,
Department, Bangalore

Dated 18th August 1915.

Despatched

General No 39

Enclosure,



No.39 Office of the Deputy Commissioner,

Shimoga District

Dated Shimoga, 19th August 1915

From

K. Matthan, Esquire, B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District

To

V.R. THYAGARAJA IYER, Esquire, M.A.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ Revenue Department~~.~~
Bangalore

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 7564/M1 196-14-5 dated 29th March 1915 calling for the details of the ways and means by which it is proposed to augment the income of Rs. 3000/- for repaying the loan required for the drainage scheme for Shimoga, I have the honour to state that the Municipal Council has at its meeting held on the 30th April 1915 resolved that "the following taxes be levied to meet the extra charge of Rs. 3000/- on account of improved drainage.

(1) A special tax on areca at the rate of three pies per maund on the quantity exported from the town,

(2) a special tax on paddy at the rate of 3 pies per bag of 75 seers exported from the town"

2. The proposed taxes savour somewhat of the nature of export duties, the imposition of which is not in accordance with present day ideas. But there are certain considerations which may be held to give some justification for the course proposed. Since the advent of the railway into Shimoga, Birur, which was originally the principal outlet of the malnad of the export of areca nut, is slowly going down in importance and the arecanut trade of the whole of the Shimoga District now mostly passes through Shimoga Arecanut

can not be stored for any length of time in the malnad taluks and must be stored in somewhat drier place. Consequently a number of warehouses or mandies have sprung up in the town. There are at present no fewer than 12 such mandies and the quantity of arecanut received in these mandies during the last year (1914-15- a particularly bad year for the arecanut trade) is reported to be 1,52,700 maunds (local), valued between 15 and 20 lakhs of rupees The quantity exported during the last year from these mandies was 1,23,500 maunds Now these arecanut mandies merchants are, I am told, in the habit of taking one pie per maund outof the sellers, for "charitable objects", as they put it. Some of this money is doubtless utilised for charitable or religious objects, but I have been informed on good authority, that the bulk of the money remains unspent with the merchants. The idea underlying the present proposal of the Municipal Council appears to be that a similar or alternative tax of three pies per maund on arecanut brought into and stored in the town will not be felt as a serious import by the sellers who get over Rs 10/- per maund and who enjoy a good deal of the benifit of the convenience provided in the town. With this explanation I believe it may be conceded that the proposed tax is not unreasonable, and may be allowed under clause XI of section 59 of the Municipal Regulation If considered desirable the tax may be levied not on the exports but on the quantity stored

3. The proposed tax on paddy stands somewhat on the same footing, with this difference that the paddy brought into the town is almost immediately exported by railway without being stored for any length of time in the town. It is ascertained from the Railway returns that about 83,000 maunds(bengal) of paddy are exported at the Shimoga Railway Station This comes to about 2⅔ lakhs of local maunds But in view of the fact that most of this comes from the outside taluks and goes direct to the Railway. I am doubtful whether the proposed tax would bring in an appreciable income. It is also a tax on one of the necessaries of life.

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4. The proposed tax on arecanut will bring in about Rs. 2,300/- and to make up the balance of about Rs. 700/- required for the annual payments in repayment of the loan, I would, if the principle is approved by the Government suggest to the Municipal Council the possibility of levying a tax on timber and bamboos brought and stored in the town

5. The Municipal Council have recently resolved to levy a water rate at one half of the house tax, and a lighting tax at one-fourth of the house tax, so that except the tax on arts, professions etc there is really other tax out of those contemplated in section 59 of the Municipal Regulation which the Council can think of. A tax on arts etc., is not likely to yield more than Rs. 1000/- and it involves the employment of an assessment staff. It is a direct tax and regarded as very obnoxious It is therefore necessary that some such indirect taxes of the nature now proposed should be sanctioned by Government under section 59(XI).

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

D.S.R.

GFB—50,000—17-9-15

1915-16.

From The President,
Shimoga Town Municipality.

To The Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, Revenue Department.

Dated 5th May 1916.

Despatched 9-5-1916

Received

General No

No

Enclosure No.

Submits report re the improvement of Shimoga Town

No: D 4032
Dept 1916-17-7

Office of the President
Shimoga Town Municipality.
Dated Shimoga 5th May 1916.

From,

K. Matthan, Esquire, B.A.,
President, Shimoga Town Municipality.

To,

V.R. Thyagaraja Iyer, Esquire, M.A.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Revenue Department.

Sir,

I have the honour to for ward herewith copy of a resolution of the Municipal Council, Shimoga passed on the motion of the Councillor Mr. Abdul Azeez calling attention to the long pending drainage scheme for this Town, and to invite kind reference to the correspondence ending with my letter No:39 dated 19th August 1915 suggesting the ways and means for raising the Municipal income in order to meet the cost of the proposed improvements.

2. As reported in my letter No: 220 dated 15th March 1915, the Municipal Council have undertaken to bear half the cost of the two schemes now estimated at Rs 1,01,000/-, if the Government should be kind enough to give the amount as a loan repayable in 30 years with interest at 4%.

3. I may be permitted here to say that in recommending the inclusion of arecanut as an article which could be made liable to a special tax under Section 59 of the Municipal Regulation, the general principle restricting its levy on articles in transit has been kept in view. The council has not been anxious to shift the burden of taxation to the wrong shoulders and hamper the general trade.

4 While ennunciating the principles of Octroi taxation, the Government of India (Home Department Notification No:88-91 dated 6th January 1871) stated that a tax on commodities which

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entered the Municipal limits was also proper, when the owners had no immediate intention of Exporting or Selling them. The arecanut is brought from Tirthahalli, Sagar and Nagar Taluks, and is stored for over six months in the year, in the mandies of this Town. Shimoga has become a depot for the areca trade, and the Municipality is entitled to make a small charge for expenditure on roads, sanitation lighting, etc, from the people engaged in this trade. I have already mentioned that there is no other possible means of increasing the revenue and as the necessity for the additional tax to meet the sanitary needs is imperative, the imposition of the proposed tax may be sanctioned until such time as the special loan which has to be raised now, is liquidated.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Venkatacharya
for President,
Shimoga Town Municipality

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1614 & dtd 1914-7

Extract from the proceedings of the 9th General Meeting of the Shimoga Town Municipal Council held in the Chamarajendra Memorial Hall, Shimoga on Friday the 31st March 1916.

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XXIII List of subjects presented by Mr. Md. Abdul Azeez Sahib Municipal Councillor for discussion in the meeting.

1) Dmanage Scheme of Shimoga Town.

(2) Opening out a road on the left bank of the river Tunga.

Resolved that the attention of Government be invited to kindly pass early orders on the proposals of the Municipal Board with a view to take up the question of drinage scheme and the road on the river bank.

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(Sd) T. Venkataramaiya,
Vice President

"Extract"

Venkataramaiya
for President,
Shimoga Town Municipality

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SUBJECT Drainage project of Shwaiga town ... Engineer suspended the work the Municipal Council cannot borrow from the prospects,

Diary No of letter replied to 746.

Section Mul
File No 196-14
Serial No 8

General and Revenue Secretariat
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No 8714
ml196-14-8
of 29.5.16

Date of issue 29.5.16

To
The Deputy Comr
Shwaiga Dn

Signed by Mr B Sullivan Pace

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No 39 of 19th Aug 1915 on the matter of the project for the Drainage of the Shwaiga town and the formation of a road along the river bank, I am directed to state that Govt will be prepared to sanction the project of the Municipal

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Council can finance the project by raising a loan of one lakh of rupees on the open market, and can find funds to maintain the work

2) Govt will undertake to repay one half of the loan with interest, and will also extend their Guarantee to the whole of the other half, if the Municipal Council satisfy the Govt abroad that they have ability to repay the whole and sinking fund charges. The loan can be raised for 10 years at 5 per cent for five years at 6 per cent.

3) I am to enquire whether the Municipal Council can arrange for the raising of a loan on the above terms, and if they agree, I am to request that they will forward proposals for meeting the interest & sinking fund charges on the loan, & also a draft resolution which may be obtained and submitted

List of enclosures.

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Yours etc
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Date of issue 17.6.16

Signed by M.O.B. Subba Rao

No 9186
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To The President, Shimoga Town Mly

Sir,

In acknowledging receipt of your letter no 422 & 5.5.1916 regarding the drainage scheme, of the Shimoga Town, I am directed to state that your reply to this office letter no 8714/ml 196-14-8 & 29.5.1916 enquiring whether the municipality of Shimoga can arrange for raising a loan of one lakh of rupees on the terms therein mentioned, is awaited ~~[illegible]~~

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SUBJECT

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From

The Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of Mysore,
Revenue Department,
Bangalore.

Dated 11/18th June 1918.

Despatched 22-6 1918

Received

General No 482
No

Enclosure No

Requests that Government may be pleased to sanction the proposal of the Municipal Council

GPB—60,(Ex)—4.12.12

No. Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District,
Dated Shimoga 11/19th June 1918.

From

K. Matthan, Esquire, B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

To

V.R. Thyagaraja Iyer, Esquire, M.A.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Revenue Department,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Adverting to your letter No.8714 M1.198-14-8 dated 29th May 1918 stating that Government will be prepared to sanction the project for the drainage of the Shimoga Town if the Municipal council can finance it by raising a loan of one lakh of rupees in the open market and that the Government would undertake to repay one half of the loan with interest etc, I have the honor to state that the subject was discussed in the Municipal Council, and they have undertaken to raise the loan required provided the term of repayment is raised to 25 years and the loan bears interest at 5 %.

2. The Municipality will not be in a position to defray the interest and provide for the sinking fund also if the period of the loan is restricted to 10 years or less, as in that case it will have to set apart Rs 6475/- which is impossible for the municipality to do.

3. As regards the ways and means for meeting this additional charge the Municipal Council are of opinion that the special tax on the quantity of arecanut stored in this town about which a recommendation has been made to Government in my letter No.39 dated 19th August 1915 may be raised from 3 pies to 6 pies per maund.

4. I may here mention that as arecanut is sold at Rs 10 to Rs 18/- a maund the proposed tax of 6 pies per maund will not be felt as a burden and the subject of this tax deserves special consideration and orders of Government.

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5. In case this special loan is made repayable in 25 years as above proposed, the annual sinking fund and other charges for which provision has to be made will be annually Rs 35475/-. The tax on arecanut was estimated to bring in about Rs 2300/- annually if the rate was 3 pies per maund. The present proposal if sanctioned will bring in approximately Rs 4600/- a year, an amount sufficient under any circumstances to meet the additional charges for the special loan. The maintenance charges will be borne as an item under the ordinary public works.

6. I have already brought to the notice of Government that there are no additional sources for augmenting the Municipal Revenue and considering that the question of dealing with the sullage and sewage water and other improvements rests with the municipality for which the existing sources of revenue alone have to be looked to I request that Government may be pleased to sanction the proposal of the Municipal Council

7. A copy of the resolution is herein enclosed

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District

C.W.R.

Proceedings of the adjourned special meeting of the Shimoga Town Municipal Council held in the Chamarajendra Memorial Hall, Shimoga, on Tuesday the 8th June 1918 at 8 A.M.

I. Revenue Secretary's letter No.2714/M1.198-14-8 dated 29th May 1918 stating that Government will be prepared to sanction the project for the drainage of Shimoga Town and the formation of a road along the river bank if the Municipal council can finance the project by raising a loan of one lakh of rupees that Government will repay the one half with interest and that the loan may be raised for 10 years or for 5 years at 5 % or 6 % respectively.

Resolved that the Municipal Council will undertake to raise a loan of one lakh of rupees carrying interest at 5 % half of which with interest shall be repayable by the Government and the other half by the Municipal Council provided the loan is repayable in 25 years.

The Council will provide a sinking fund for repaying the capital and interest by raising the proposed tax on arecanut stored in the town from 3 to 6 pies per maund.

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Sd/- K. Matthan,
President.

"Extract"

President.

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From

The President,

Shimoga Town Municipality.

To

The Secretary to Government,

Revenue Department,

Dated Bangalore.

Despatched 16th November 1916.

Received

General No 200.

No

Enclosure No One.

Requests sanction for raising a loan of one lakh of Rupees.

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No. 200/ Enc. One. Office of the President,

Mul 196-14-10 Shimoga Town Municipality,

Dated, Shimoga, the 18th November 1916.

From

A. Subramanya Iyer, Esquire, B.A.,
President, Shimoga Town Municipality,
Shimoga.

To

L. Krishna Rao, Esquire,
Offg. Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department,
Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of this office letter No. 482 dated 22nd June 1916 about financing the scheme for the drainage of Shimoga Town, I have the honor to request that sanction may be accorded to raise a loan of ₹ 1,00,000/-. I also enclose a copy of my letter No. 196 dated the 15th November 1916 to the Chief Engineer in Mysore and request that Government may be pleased to view with favour the claim of the Municipal Council to the sum of ₹ 30,000/- promised in Government Order Numbers 1118-26/ 8970-8 and 4576-7/ M1 325-09-4 dated 22nd October and 28th November 1910 respectively.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

PRESIDENT
Shimoga Town Municipality.

K.S.

Letter No. 196 dated 17th November 1916 from the President Shimoga Town Municipality, [illegible] to the Chief Engineer, in Mysore Bangalore.

In continuation of correspondence ending with this Office letter No. 203 dated 24/25th December 1915, I have the honor to forward herewith countersigned, the plans and estimates for the drainage of Shimoga Town, and for opening out a road on the bank of the Tunga River, received with Superintending Engineer's letter No 3859 dated 10th May 1915. Before I proceed to my remarks in connection with the Scheme, I should like to thank you for the kindness in visiting the place now, when the heavy rains of the past few days have during your inspection on Saturday morning (11th Instant) shown you the deplorable condition of the place, and convinced you of the urgency of drainage. Another point observed by you during inspection is, that the works now proposed are only to be looked upon as a first instalment that will go some-way towards improving the condition of the Town, and that much more has to be done for the complete drainage.

2. Though the amount of the estimate is large, it will be seen that a substantial portion thereof viz Rs 32,335/- out of Rs 85,495/- is required for the road on the left bank of the Tunga River. This road by cutting off access to the river from the backyards of houses materially contributes towards the improvement of the Sanitary condition of the river"; but I might be permitted to add that this is of secondary consideration now, as the town can command a supply of filtered water pumped higher up. I find from the correspondence that this road was not at first popular, but that in view of the fact that it is useful as noted above and that in opinion of the Government it should have precedence over all other works of improvement(vide para 4 of docket no. 346/2055 dated 2nd March 1914 from the Secretary to Government Public Works Department to the Superintending Engineer Southern Circle,

Circle,) and that as the cost is not very much in excess of the sum of ₹ 30,000/- (the un-utilized balance of ₹ 66,150/- sanctioned for the town improvement) which the Government have in their order No. 1118-26/ 8970-8 dated 22nd October 1910 generously decided to make over to the Municipal Council, (see also Government Order No. 4576-7/ Ml. 525-09-4 dated 28th November 1910) the proposal of opening the road has since met with the approval of the people.

3. That the town is not properly drained is evident from your inspection. That effective drainage which prevents the stagnation of water and the breeding of mosquitos is of primary importance in a malaria stricken place, is well known. I would therefore suggest that in addition to the work now proposed, the other work which during the inspection appeared quite necessary might also be taken up.

4. The estimates that I have now countersigned are for ₹ 56,406/-, but the cost of the scheme proposed in January 1915 was roughly estimated to be about ₹ 1,01,000/- as noted in the margin, and the correspondence with Government is based on the assumption that the cost will be a lakh of rupees.

1. Opening out a road along the Tunga river----------	₹ 7,872/-
2. Constructing flight of steps----	₹ 2,053/-
3. Opening cross roads----------	₹ 1,976/-
4. Constructing tunnels at outfalls	₹ 7,426/-
5. Cost of opening Submains------	₹ 13,157/-
6. Contingencies.----------	₹ 1,624/-
7. Compensation for land to be acquired----------	₹ 24,465/-
8. Constructing masonry submains---	₹ 42,429/-
Total----------	₹ 1,01,000/-.

Thus the total amount available or to be made available for the drainage scheme and road, is ₹ 1,00,000/- plus ₹ 30,000/- (referred to in para 2 above); and estimates for ₹ 44,606/- may also be prepared so that work might be started when

when funds are available.

5. It is not my idea that the submission for sanction of the estimates for Rs 85,495/- should be delayed till the estimate for Rs 44,505/- is also ready. It is enough if, when the estimate for Rs 85,495/- is submitted for sanction, permission is obtained for further investigation and preparation of estimates for Rs 44,505/- and for any more work that may be still be necessary for drainage.

6. As in any circumstances the works required for a complete drainage are to be carried out in ~~two~~ instalments, and as probably the Municipal Council out of its annual income may have to spend a portion for improving the drainage piecemeal, it is necessary that a comprehensive scheme should be prepared and that the levels etc, now adopted should allow of the subsequent instalments of work dovetailing into what is now done.

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Venkatanarayana

For President,

K.S. Shimoga Town Municipality.

Loan for Shimoga drainage Project

Proceedings of the Government of H H the Maharaja of Mysore

Read--

Correspondence ending with letter No 482 of 19th June 1916 from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, requesting sanction to the Shimoga Municipal Council raising a loan of one lakh of rupees in the open market, for carrying out the drainage project of the Shimoga town, on the following terms, and levying a special tax on areca nut stored in the town to provide for repayment of the loan -

(a) the loan to carry interest at 5 per cent per annum

(b) the loan to be repayable in 25 years

(c) one half of the loan with interest thereon to be repayable by Government, the other half with interest being repayable by the Municipal Council

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Dated Bangalore, 14 5 17.

The raising of the loan on the terms proposed is approved A sum of Rs 20,000 will be advanced by Government as a loan to the Municipal Council in 1917-18 for this purpose

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3 Government consider that the proposed levy of a special tax on areca nut to repay the loan is inexpedient The Municipal Council may consider the question of imposing a drainage tax

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Offg Secretary to Govt

Revenue Department

23/4/17

To

The Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga Dt

The Chief Engineer of Mysore, returning the Estimate, plans & report received with his letter dt 24-5-17

The Comptroller to Government through Branch II

× Received & Shanmugam & w sent on dt 26-5-17

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Read:-

(1) Letter No.C.C.154 dated the 11th September 1916 from the Sanitary Commissioner with the Government of Mysore, urging the early execution of the scheme for the improvements of the Shimoga town as already outlined in October 1910.

(2) Correspondence ending with letter No.196 of the 15th November 1916 from the President, Shimoga Town Municipality, forwarding, duly countersigned, a project amounting to Rs 85,495 for improving the Shimoga town and the surface drainage and observing that much more yet remains to be done for the complete drainage of the town.

(3) Note No.D.66 dated the 9th February 1917 by the Secretary, Public Works Department, submitting the above project for sanction.

(4) G.O.No.7176-8/Mi.196-14-11 dated the 14th May 1917, approving the proposal of the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, for raising a loan of one lakh of rupees in the open market at 5 per cent interest- the loan to be repayable in 25 years - for carrying out the drainage project of the town, and stating that a sum of Rs 20,000 will be advanced as a loan to the Municipal Council for expenditure during 1917-18.

Under thereon No. 1731-5 Dated Bangalore, 13th August 1917.

For want of an efficient system of drainage, the sanitation of the Shimoga town has been deteriorating. The surface drainage gets water-logged during the rainy season. Sanitary improvements being urgently called for, Government have been pleased to sanction - - -

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the accompanying project for the improvement of the town and the surface drainage for Rs 85,495.

The main features of the scheme are:-

(1) Opening a road along the bank of the Tunga river between the backyards of the houses and the river, with culverts at crossings of drainage and flights of steps at important places.

(2) Opening cross roads in the town to avoid congestion.

(3) Constructing storm water drains

(4) Acquisition of properties.

3. A proper sewerage scheme will have to be undertaken as soon as e above items of work are completed.

To meet the cost of these works as well as other improvements, Government have permitted the Municipality to raise a loan of one lakh rupees at 5 per cent interest. Government have also agreed to - - advance Rs 20,000 as a loan for expenditure during 1917-18.

5. As the work is reported to be urgent, the Superintending Engineer is requested to put the work in hand at once and complete the same as early as practicable.

6. The President of the Shimoga town Municipality is requested to place, at the disposal of the Public Works Department, the amount sanctioned for expenditure during the year 1917-18.

Joint Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

P.T.O.

The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

The President, Municipal Council, Shimoga.

The Superintending Engineer, Southern Circle (with the sanctioned project and with a copy of Municipal President's letter No 196 dated 18th November 1918)

The Comptroller of Mysore.

The Sanitary Commissioner with the Government of Mysore.

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